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SETTING FORTH THE TRUTH.

In a speech at Helena, Mont., Secretary McAdoo expressed his "disgust" that "we can not get the truth and the facts to the people of this country."

We do not know the central topic concerning which the secretary is thus exercised in his mind; but his sudden passion for the truth excites our sympathy.

If Mr. McAdoo is really desirous to "get the truth and the facts to the people," may we suggest that he has an excellent opportunity for trying to do so in a daily document which the Treasury Department issues for public distribution? We refer to the "Daily Statement of the United States Treasury," which is designed to inform the country regarding the cash in the national strong box.

According to this document in its present form, the cash balance in the Treasury is more than one hundred millions. In reality, the balance available for the purpose of the government is about eighty millions less than this sum—the difference being accounted for by a new method of bookkeeping which Secretary McAdoo instituted some weeks ago. By this new method the secretary transferred to the balance a large sum of money, earmarked for specific purposes, and in no sense representing available assets for the government in the payment of its running expenses. Thus, without adding a single dollar to the till, Secretary McAdoo increased the treasury balance—on paper—by some eighty millions of dollars; and in that form he daily renders to the people of this country an accounting of his stewardship of their funds.

If Mr. McAdoo really wishes to "get the truth and the facts to the people of this country," why does he not begin at the point where his jurisdiction is effective? Why does he not put "the truth and the facts" into his daily statement of the United States Treasury?

It is quite possible to make a satisfactory run with an automobile, even if the driver does have to get along with water to drink.

THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

As far as appearances go, the Thanksgiving holiday is not observed with the same feeling as of old. Church services are not well attended. Family prayer is a custom that is no longer common. There is little audible expression of the thankful heart.

But the true value of such a holiday lies in acts, not in thoughts or words. No doubt many more people than formerly receive substantial gifts. Few persons would let a neighboring family go hungry if their wants were known. Kind deeds like this are more in keeping with the real spirit of Thanksgiving than any formality.

This does not mean that the author of all good should be forgotten. The abundance of Thanksgiving, the happy reunion of kindred and friends, should make one realize better than ever that there is a great deal of sunshine in life. The power that has sent all this good cheer into the world must be guided by love, even when it sends the discipline of pain. Thanksgiving Day should not be passed without the silent prayer of recognition for all blessings.

Keep right on sewing. It makes you as handsome as a baboon and as winsome as a Fiji islander.

Fun---Well Done

But He Didn't Get It.

He was Scotch all right, was Sandy MacGregor, and had mislaid his wallet containing \$500 at the railway station.

He telegraphed his loss to the railway station agent and the wallet was kept until his return a month later.

The finder, a young clerk, handed MacGregor the missing wallet and stood in an attitude of eager expectation. The Scot unheedingly counted his money and then looked long and suspiciously at the young clerk.

"Isn't it right?" stammered the latter in bewilderment.

"Right! Right! It's right enough," said MacGregor, "but whur's the month's interest?"

Courteous.

"Those people who live in that swell house on the hill aren't a bit stuck up," remarked the butcher. "Why, I thought they were too proud to notice anybody," said the wife.

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EDITORIAL SIDELIGHTS

How many of our good citizens realize that this town is dependent to a considerable degree upon the good will and patronage of the farming community surrounding us? And how many ever give a second thought to the comfort of the farmer and his wife and children when they come to town?

If we have never done any thinking along this line before it is not too late to begin now. Let's begin.

We can not do everything at once, but we can make a start in the right direction by selecting a convenient site and build sheds where the farmers can leave their rigs and hitch their horses and feel safe in their minds that their teams will not be frightened by the innumerable automobiles that are constantly whizzing by.

Some may argue that there are 1100 barns and feed sheds where the farmer can stable his team for a price.

True, there are. But when a man from town drives out into the country and stops at a farmhouse, does the farmer charge him a quarter or a half-dollar for a place for his team to stand? Not a bit of it. That team is put right in the barn, or hitched in a safe place away from the road, and there is no price attached.

And if the town man is thus taken care of while in the country why shouldn't the farmer be shown equal courtesy when he comes to town and spends his money here?

If we want the farmer's trade we will have to treat him right when he comes to see us. If we don't he will find other places to go and no one will have just reason to complain.

This is but one of the items in the count. Let's dispose of it and then tackle the others.

Adequate defense measures will cost millions. Paying the indemnities of defeat will cost billions. Which do you prefer?

Just why should George Burditt worry over his job as assistant postmaster of the little village of Winnetka, Ill.? Getting fired by the Post-office Department for commenting adversely upon the engagement of the President and Mrs. Galt, and then being promptly and emphatically reinstated by the President himself, has made him a national figure and is rapidly qualifying him for the stage or the lecture platform. And really now, if Mr. Wilson wants to marry Mrs. Galt and the lady is willing, whose business is it? And if Mr. Burditt wants to exercise the American right of free speech in gentlemanly language, whose business is that? Seems to us the daily press has been making a whale out of a tadpole. But then again, that's their business, and they are experts in their line.

In these days you can't make a man out of a monkey, and neither can you make a respectable member of society out of a brainless idiot who gazes around on street corners and makes vulgar remarks about every woman who passes. Feeble minded degenerates should be in asylums for imbeciles, where they belong.

When a peppery old duck told his wife she had no sense she meekly pleaded guilty to the charge and pointed to him as the greatest evidence of the fact.

New York has 940,000 school children, according to a newspaper paragraph. Let 'er keep 'em. All local demands can be supplied right here at home.

Some employees get the business, while others are just ornamental. Each is paid in proportion to his value.

Yes, Winnetka, Ill., is on the White House map.

ITEMS FROM ALL AROUND

Strawberries Still.

(Todd County Times.)

Mrs. J. H. Terrill exhibited here Saturday a number of well developed strawberries, samples of quite a number that were picked from the bed at her home several miles south of town, last week. Todd county, with the weather that has distinguished November, 1915, will soon rival Florida as a summer resort.

Activity In Perry County.

(Hazard Herald.)

The grading work on the railroad up Main Buffalo is being pushed in order to have it ready in time to accommodate the operators when they are ready to dig coal. These new developments will add greatly to the output of the Hazard field. The railroad company is making preparations to handle this coal when all the mines around here start to work.

Conditional Forgiveness.

(Todd County Times.)

Mrs. J. P. Turner's poultry yard was raided last Saturday night and two young bronze turkey gobblers were taken. The raider left his cap behind as a memento for the proprietor. It is a big plain cap, with green and black predominating. Mrs. Turner suggests that the owner come and get his cap and pay for the turkeys. Then mum is the word.

Barred Owl Killed.

(Elizabethtown Mirror.)

Mrs. Steadman Robertson shot and killed a barred owl last week. The breast and lower part of the owl was white, while the tips of the wings and tail and the feathers above its eyes were also white. The barred owl is almost extinct in this section of the State. Mrs. Robertson shot the owl with a rifle at a long distance, demonstrating the fact that she is an expert with a gun.

Giant Pumpkins.

(Jesseamine Journal.)

About as large a pumpkin as was ever raised in this section was on display last week in the window of the First National Bank. This pumpkin was about sixteen inches in diameter and weighed sixty pounds, and was raised by Lewis Peel, who lives in the eastern part of the county. No special effort was made to cultivate this pumpkin as it grew in the corn field with many others. Justin Burgin, who lives in the same section, brought to town the first of the week a pumpkin which was a little larger than the one raised by Mr. Peel. Mr. Burgin's pumpkin weighed seventy pounds and was slightly larger in diameter. This hog-fattener and pie-stuffing also grew under normal conditions.

\$6,000 Made For County.

(Elizabethtown News.)

The News published in its last issue the fact that \$15,000 was likely to be paid into the coffers of Hardin county by the railroads by the recent decision of Judge A. M. J. Cochran in the railroad franchise taxes. This, however, is not the only bit of gratifying information concerning the county's finances. Since the administration of County School Superintendent Payne began there has been a reduction in the outstanding school indebtedness against the county of about \$12,500. Of this amount \$6,500 accrued from the proceeds of the sale of the County High School property. The remaining \$6,000 is due to the wise and economical policies of Mr. Payne and of the County Board of Education which serves with him. No part of the reduction is due to the increased franchise tax, referred to above, as the county treasury has not received the railroads' checks for the additional amount. The \$6,000 was saved by a careful watch over the everyday channels of expenditure.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

November 23.

George B. McClellan, former Mayor of New York, now a professor at Princeton, who has been in the public eye recently through his writings on conditions in the Teutonic nations, is 50 years old today. He made a tour through Germany and Belgium, and described the conditions of the Belgians as quite normal and satisfactory. Other tourists tell a widely different story, and Prof. McClellan has come in for a deal of criticism. He is an authority on politics and public affairs, and his views caused quite a stir as he toured the war countries. Prof. McClellan is the son of the late war hero, Gen. George B. McClellan, and was born in Dresden, Saxony, during a tour of his parents, on November 23, 1865. He was educated at Princeton and became a reporter in New York. He became a lawyer in 1892, and was elected president of the Board of Aldermen of New York the following year. In 1895 he was elected Mayor of New York, which office he held until 1909. He became a lecturer at Princeton four years ago, and accepted a professorship in 1912.

Admiral Frank Friday Fletcher, U. S. N., 60 years old today.

Dr. John K. McClurkin, of Pittsburgh, head of the promoting board for a Christian University in Cairo, Egypt, 62 years old today.

Dr. Henry J. Waters, president of Kansas State Agricultural College, 59 years old today.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, 56 years old today.

Sir Gilbert Parker, noted English author, 53 years old today.

Rt. Rev. Edwin S. Lines, Episcopal Bishop of New Jersey, 70 years old today.

TAFT TO ADDRESS CANADIANS.

Hamilton, Ont., November 23.—Prof. William Howard Taft, former President of the United States, will speak here tomorrow night on "The Signs of the Times."

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